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SUBJECT: HELICOPTER TRAINING FOR BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE
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1. US ARMY CURRENTLY OFFERS TWO HELICOPTER TRAINING
COURSES. ROTARY WING QUALIFICATION COURSE OF 12 WEEKS
AND ROTARY WING AVIATION COURSE OF 36 WEEKS.

2. SINCE LT AL-KHALIFA IS ALREADY FIXED WING (FW)
QUALIFIED, 12-WEEK ROTARY WING QUALIFICATION COURSE
WHICH CONVERTS FW PILOT TO A UH-1 HELICOPTER PILOT
SEEMS MOST APPROPRIATE. HOWEVER, NO CLASS OPENINGS
AVAILABLE UNTIL AFTER JULY 1, 1975 AND SPACE DURING
FY-76 WILL DEPEND ON WORLD-WIDE REQUIREMENTS ALREADY
PROGRAMMED. SPACE DETERMINATION CANNOT BE MADE UNTIL
AFTER MAY 15, 1975 WHEN TOTAL PROGRAMMED REQUIREMENTS
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WILL BE KNOWN. FMS COST IS APPROXIMATELY DOLS. 13,000.

3. THE 36-WEEK ROTARY WING AVIATION COURSE IS DESIGNED TO GRADUATE AN INSTRUMENT-RATED UH-1 PILOT FROM A NON-RATED (NO FLYING EXPERIENCE) STUDENT. ALTHOUGH THIS COURSE MAY NOT SPECIFICALLY APPLY TO LT AL-KHALIFA,

MANY COUNTRIES UTILIZE IT EVEN THOUGH STUDENTS ARE ALREADY FW QUALIFIED. WHILE SOME WORK WOULD BE REPETITIVE, COURSE OFFERS MORE FLYING HOURS AND EXPERIENCE IN HELICOPTERS. COST IS DOLS. 28,320.

4. INSTRUCTOR PILOT COURSE CAN PROBABLY BE SCHEDULED AFTER COMPLETION OF ONE OF ABOVE TWO COURSES. THIS IS FOUR WEEK COURSE, COSTING DOLS. 4,260.

5. US COAST GUARD OFFERS ONE SEARCH AND RESCUE FOUR WEEK COURSE EVERY 10 WEEKS. ALTHOUGH NEXT TWO SCHEDULED COURSES ARE APR 29 - MAY 23 AND JUN 21 - JUL 16, BOTH OF THESE ARE ALREADY FILLED. HOWEVER, OPENINGS ARE AVAILABLE IN FY-76. APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE 6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE; COST IS DOLS 624. TRAINING IS CONDUCTED ON GROUND AND HELICOPTER QUALIFICATION IS NOT REQUIRED. THEREFORE, ATTENDANCE AT THIS COURSE COULD BE SCHEDULED PRIOR TO HELICOPTER TRAINING. KISSINGER

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